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November 15. All passengers arriving on vessels from these ports will have their temperatures taken before release.

A. H. DOTY, *Health Officer.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports from the Mexican border.

Eagle Pass, Tex., November 14, 1900—Inspection service.—I have the honor to report that on the 7th instant I took from the train and placed in the detention camp 2 men from Vera Cruz, Mexico. Both of these men had been exposed to yellow fever previous to their arrival here. I disinfected all of their baggage, etc., and kept them here under observation the required period of time. No yellow fever developed.

From all reports yellow fever is still in existence in Vera Cruz and that locality of Mexico, and as a result I am continuing precautions as heretofore. Smallpox is putting in an appearance on the Mexican side about 15 miles in the Republic from the river. I am keeping watch on that section, as smallpox is liable to appear in C. P. Diaz at almost any moment.

LEA HUME,
Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

El Paso, Tex., November 10, 1900—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit herewith summary of work at the station the week ended November 10, 1900: Inspection Mexican Central Railway passengers, 185; inspection Rio Grande Railway passengers, 33; inspection Mexican Central immigrants, 50; inspection private car from Mexico, 17 passengers; disinfection Mexican immigrants' baggage, 35 bundles; disinfection soiled linen imported from Mexico for laundry, 414 pieces; disinfection of Pullman linen from Mexico, 2,654 pieces; vaccination of immigrants' children, 6. Detained a woman and her boy arriving from Tampico, Mexico. The clinical thermometer showed elevation of temperature of the woman for two days. Let them pass November 9, after thoroughly disinfecting their baggage.

E. ALEXANDER,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Laredo, Tex., November 9, 1900—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following report for week ended November 3, 1900: Passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 14; persons inspected on passenger trains, 406; immigrants inspected and passed, 19; immigrants vaccinated, 7.

October 28, detained 1 person nine days out from Vera Cruz and disinfected baggage; detained 4 persons five days out from Orizaba and disinfected baggage. October 30, detained 2 persons two days out from Tampico, Mexico.

Laredo, Tex., November 12, 1900—Inspection service.—I have the honor to submit the following report for week ended November 10, 1900: Number of passenger trains arriving from Mexico inspected, 14; persons inspected on trains from Mexico, 457; immigrants inspected and passed, 43.

November 4, detained 2 suspects who crossed the frontier at daylight. They had arrived at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, on a freight train during the night. They acknowledged being from Tampico. One had a temperature of 39.8° C., pulse 104, with severe headache and nausea. I

considered the case suspicious, although it looked like malaria. I telegraphed the Bureau and placed suspects in camp, isolating the one with fever; gave him 3 compound cathartic pills, to be followed in five or six hours with a seidlitz powder, also some acetanilid, with citrate of caffeine. Next day his temperature was normal, urine had no albumen, and he was feeling pretty well. About 12 a. m. the other suspect had slight chill, followed by severe headache and a temperature of 40.4° C., pulse 104. I used same preliminary treatment as with other; found no albumen. I examined urine daily, never finding albumen, and gave quinine, which soon controlled fever of both. These persons had no baggage, but after getting them in bed I disinfected all their wearing apparel. They were discharged November 9, free from fever.

November 7, 2 trunks opened and disinfected. They came from Tampico. The owners had been ten days out and were allowed to proceed.

November 8, disinfected 1 large valise, owner ten days out from Tampico.

H. J. HAMILTON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from West Indian ports.

BALTIMORE, MD., November 17, 1900.

SIR: I beg to report the arrival during the week just ended of the following-named vessels from the ports named: November 12, American schooner *Sanandreas*, from San Andres, with coconuts.

Respectfully,

WM. F. STONE,
Collector.

Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—Yearly and monthly.

CALIFORNIA—*Sacramento*.—Month of October, 1900. Estimated population, 30,000. Total number of deaths, 28, including enteric fever, 2, and 2 from phthisis pulmonalis.

San Diego.—Month of September, 1900. Estimated population, 22,110. Total number of deaths, 12, including 6 from tuberculosis.

CONNECTICUT.—Reports to the State board of health, for the month of October, 1900, from 167 towns, having an aggregate estimated population of 907,470, show a total of 1,208 deaths, including diphtheria, 29; enteric fever, 42; measles, 3; scarlet fever, 3; whooping cough, 10, and 119 from phthisis pulmonalis.

IOWA—*Boone*.—Month of August, 1900. Census population, 6,520. Total number of deaths, 11, including 1 from phthisis pulmonalis.

Month of September, 1900. Total number of deaths, 5. No deaths from contagious diseases.

Burlington.—Month of August, 1900. Estimated population, 30,000. Total number of deaths, 30, including 1 from phthisis pulmonalis.

Month of September, 1900. Total number of deaths, 25, including diphtheria, 1; enteric fever, 1; and 2 from phthisis pulmonalis.

Cedar Rapids.—Month of August, 1900. Estimated population, 27,000. Total number of deaths, 18. No deaths from contagious diseases.